



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1648  
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03495.0050-16

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Marc ALIZON et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1648
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Appln. No.: 09/988,213 ✓	)	Examiner: Parkin, J.
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Filed: November 19, 2001	)	Confirmation No. 8195
	)	
For: Nucleic Acids Containing the	)	
Human Immunodeficiency Virus	)	
Type 2 (HIV-2) Pol Gene And A	)	
Method for Producing a	)	
Polypeptide Encoded By The	)	
Nucleic Acids	)	
(Amended Title)	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In reply to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132,

Clavel et al. article, Curriculum Vitae, Application and claims.